

ABSTRACT

A print job handling system, the system at least includes: a network adapted to interconnect at least one computer and peripheral devices; a plurality of network printers coupled to the network, and adapted to execute print jobs; and at least one printer control 5 panel coupled to at least one of the network printers; wherein the control panel at least includes a control panel display adapted to display information about currently pending print jobs that have been sent to the control panel's associated network printer, along with an indication of the ability of the control panel's associated network printer to execute pending print jobs; and wherein the control panel at least includes an input mechanism 10 adapted to allow a network user to, via the control panel and upon an indication that a print job cannot be executed or executed satisfactory to the user, re-route a print job from the control panel's associated printer to an alternate network printer.